

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1946 - SB 1915

February 28, 2020

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes members of the United States Armed Forces and honorably discharged veterans to receive equivalent credit toward the receipt of an occupational license relating to the training received. Requires the Commissioner of Veterans Services to promulgate rules.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (015161): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Authorizes members of the United States Armed Forces and honorably discharged veterans to receive equivalent credit toward the receipt of an occupational license or healing arts license relating to the training received, if the training is consistent with licensure requirements. Authorizes any person aggrieved by a decision of a licensing authority to appeal to the Commissioner of Commerce and Insurance or their designee or the Commissioner of Health or their designee. Requires the Commissioner of Commerce and Insurance, in collaboration with the Commissioner of Veterans Services, to promulgate rules relative to business and trade licenses. Requires the Commissioner of Health, in collaboration with the Commissioner of Veterans Services, to promulgate rules relative to professions of the healing arts licenses.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Passage of this legislation may allow certain individuals to acquire certain licenses sooner relative to the time it may take under current law. It is assumed such individuals would be pursuing the respective license under current law as well as under the provisions of this legislation. Therefore, any change in the number of licenses issued statewide is not expected to be significant.
- Some license fee revenue may shift forward if certain people are able to acquire licensure sooner; however, the total amount of licensure fee revenue received over time

is not expected to change significantly. As a result, any impact related to licensure fee revenue is estimated to be not significant.

- It can be reasonably assumed that the Department of Commerce and Insurance and the Department of Health can meet the provisions of the proposed legislation with existing resources without an increase in expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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